SUBJECT No. 319.

An annachattram at Belur.

Mr. Kesavaiengar, Belur Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—When the construction of a building for the annachattram at Belur was prayed for last year, Government were pleased to state that the matter was under correspondence. Early orders are solicited.

Reply of Government.—Estimates are awaited from the Deputy Commissioner.

SUBJECT No. 320.

Construction of a vimana to the Belur temple.

Mr. Kesavaiengar, Belur Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—The Government may order the construction of a vimana to the Belur temple.

Reply of Government.—The Executive Engineer, Palace Division, will be deputed to get up a project for this work.

SUBJECT No. 321.

Tasdik to Sri Venkataramanaswami temple at Malekal-Tirupati.

Mr. Dasappa, Arsikere Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—The present monthly cash grant of the temple is Rs. 19-8-0, out of which the pay of the archaks and the paditara, nityakatle and hetchukatle charges have to be met. As this is insufficient for the maintenance of the pujaris, and for the several services the cash grant may be increased.

Reply of Government.—The pay of the archaks will be raised if the temple funds permit of it.

SUBJECT No. 322.

The Sri Venkataramanaswami temple at Malekal-Tirupati.

Messrs. Dasappa and Chowdaiya, Arsikere Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—(a) The temple derives an annual income of about Rs. 1,200, from all sources, out of which the feeding of Brahmins on the occasion of the annual car-festival can be conducted on three days, if not on four days as was being done formerly. At present, however, Brahmins are fed only on two days. As the income of the temple admits of feeding being conducted on three days, the same may be ordered.

(b) A portion of the realizations of the forest produce in the Hirikalgudda State Forest may be credited to the temple funds as was being done formerly.

(c) The Amarayi produce of the village is now sold. The practice may be stopped and orders may be passed for the produce being utilised for the benefit of the temple as was being done formerly.

(d) The duties of the Dharmadarsis of the temple may be defined.

(e) As the car-festival takes place during the rainy season, a chattram may be constructed to the north of the temple for the convenience of pilgrims and for conducting the *santarpane*. Reference is invited to the orders already passed on the subject and a reconsideration desired.

Reply of Government.—(a) To the Deputy Commissioner for report.

(b & c) To the Deputy Commissioner for disposal.

(d) The duties of Dharmadarsis have been defined. The general question of giving additional powers to them is under consideration.